Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER 022854.0101PTUS Application No. Filing Date Examiner Art Unit 10/686419-Conf. #7291 October 15, 2003 S. P. Avila 3617 Applicant(s): Charles A. Blank Invention: STOWABLE RAMP FOR A PONTOON BOAT TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED Claims** Highest Remaining Number Number After Previously **Extra Claims** Amendment Paid Present Rate **Total Claims** 18 20 0 X Independent 8 9 0 Х Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 0.00 Large Entity x Small Entity x No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. x The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 50-2816 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. x Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: October 18, 2005 Robert C. Hilton Attorney Reg. No.: 47,649 PATTON BOGGS LLP 2001 Ross Avenue, Suite 3000

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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No extensions of time or fees are believed to be necessary. If an extension of time is required, the extension is hereby requested. If any fees are required for the prosecution of the application, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2816.

Applicant received an Office Action that was mailed on July 18, 2005. Applicant submits the following amendments to the claims and respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance.